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Senate Resolution 112

By: Senators Rogers of the 21st and Murphy of the 27th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending Ms. Marguerite Cline; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Ms. Marguerite Cline has been recognized for her outstanding public service
- 3 and leadership, earning the 2009 First Citizen Award from the Cherokee County Chamber
- 4 of Commerce; and
- 5 WHEREAS, a graduate of Reinhardt College, Ms. Cline earned a bachelor's and master's
- 6 degree from North Georgia College and an education specialist degree from West Georgia
- 7 College; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Ms. Cline served as a teacher at Clayton, Hickory Flat, R.M. Moore, and
- 9 Canton Elementary Schools, before working as an Instructional Supervisor, Assistant
- 10 Superintendent of Schools, and Superintendent of Schools; and
- 11 WHEREAS, known for her Southern grace and creative nature, Ms. Cline's 14 year tenure
- 12 as the mayor of Waleska earned her the title as the first woman to hold the position; and
- 13 WHEREAS, not only was this pioneer the first woman elected as mayor of Waleska, she was
- 14 also the first woman elected as superintendent of Cherokee County schools and as
- 15 chairperson of the Cherokee County Chamber of Commerce; and
- 16 WHEREAS, a self-proclaimed perfectionist, Ms. Cline has been recognized for her
- 17 remarkable career with other awards such as Georgia School Superintendent of the Year, a
- 18 Distinguished Alumnus Award from Reinhardt College, a Lamar Haley Community Service
- 19 Award from the Rotary Club of Canton, a Robert S. Stubbs Ethics Award, a Coxe Award,
- and a Lee Arrendale Vocational Award; and
- 21 WHEREAS, also an award winning columnist, Ms. Cline has two books of her amazing and
- 22 insightful newspaper columns and has hosted local television and radio shows; and

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23 WHEREAS, active in all areas of community service, Ms. Cline is a current or past member

- 24 of the Cherokee Recreation and Parks Authority Board, Reinhardt College's Board of
- 25 Advisors and Board of Trustees Academic Affairs Committee, the Cherokee County Board
- of Health, WellStar Kennestone Hospital and Wachovia Bank's advisory boards, boards of
- 27 the Falany Performing Arts Center, Cherokee County Arts Council, and Cherokee County
- 28 CASA; and
- 29 WHEREAS, a charter member of Heritage Baptist Fellowship in Canton, Ms. Cline has
- 30 served for over 50 years as the church's pianist and organist; and
- 31 WHEREAS, Ms. Cline has proven herself to be an extremely effective public servant,
- 32 approaching each challenge with determination and drive, and the State of Georgia is
- 33 honored to have such a motivated and hard-working individual as one of its citizens.
- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
- 35 recognize Ms. Marguerite Cline for her outstanding career, commend her for outstanding
- 36 leadership abilities, and congratulate her on her 2009 First Citizen Award.
- 37 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
- 38 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Ms. Cline.